

## *The Spirit Within Us*

If there is one thing that demonstrates our unity, it is the spirit that we have in us. I am thankful to say, sir, that it is the spirit which exists in every stratum of our society, in every political group, in every community. I know that it is the practice of the enemy, who lays his snares for the minds of the unwary, to seize upon any point of difference or any point of politics, to magnify it and say, "Ah! here you have the proof that these people are divided." But in my own country—and I know, too, that it is true of Canada—when the war broke out there was not a general view, not a majority view, but a unanimous view. It was not a unanimous view that this was the kind of war that it would be pleasant to win, that it would be satisfying to win, but a profound belief that this is a war which must be won because it is a holy war. So I should like to say to the enemy, if he had ears to listen, that he must never mistake as a proof of disunity the exhibition of freedom which you find in any British parliament. It is our great pride that even at this time, at this most critical hour in our history, the King's writ still runs in our courts, the King's parliament still sits in his various dominions, and the King's citizens still are able to stand untrammelled in their places and offer their views with no responsibility except for the good of their country and the judgment of their conscience. We are united, sir, in spirit, and I believe that we are united in spirit because we are united in liberty.

It is a very great honour indeed for me to be able to stand here and bring to you, members of this great parliament in a great dominion, a message from my own people of complete and unlimited brotherhood. I shall take back to them a very vivid picture indeed of what I have seen and what I have heard here. I shall be able to say to them that there is no disunity among the British dominions. I shall be able to say to them that that independence upon which we all in our several jurisdictions pride ourselves has been the sure foundation upon which an entirely united war effort has been put forward by the whole British empire.

### *No Sacrifice Too Great*

Sir, it is not for me to say to honourable members of this house what their duty is. I am of all men the least worthy, in addressing others, to preach to them about their duty. All I know is that there never yet has been a parliament in a free British country which did not do its duty. All I want to do is to say to myself, as I invite every man in public life all over the British world to say to himself day by day: "Am I so utterly convinced that I must put into this task everything I have that I will fail in no effort, that I will never spare myself